

## Influence-Driven Leadership

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# What does influence mean to you?





- We have coached over 1,000 corporate leaders in 30 countries over the past 16 years.
- Most common coaching request comments include:
  - "Mary is very strategic and has great technical skills, but needs to become better at leading and inspiring others"
  - "Joe needs to transition from an individual contributor to a leader of a larger team"
  - "Mark needs to further develop his executive presence"
- Influence is at the core of these developmental goals.





- We recently surveyed 200 seasoned Executive Coaches to determine the most common developmental objectives.
- The top four responses were all related to <u>influence</u>:
  - Build/Align/Motivate Team
  - Executive Presence
  - > Effective Communications
  - Interpersonal Savvy



## Agenda

- Why Influence?
- Gladwell on Influence
- Books on Influence
- Corporate Strategy
- Influence-Driven Leadership



## Why Influence?

- Webster's defines "Leadership", "Command" and "Authority" using "Influence."
- Hidden in Plain Sight
- "We do what we do and think the way we think because of influence."
- Example: Accents
- Discovered that the strategic use of influence is the secret of individual and organizational success.



# Gladwell on Influence



## The Power of Influence

**The Tipping Point**: The dramatic moment that is the peak of the influences that lead to epidemics.

Paul Revere vs. William Dawes

**Blink**: The influences in our lives that cause us to make instantaneous judgments.

Imperial Margarine and Mind-Reading



## The Power of Influence

**Outliers**: External influences are one of the fundamental reasons for extraordinary success.

Hockey and Silicon Valley



## **Books on Influence**



## Personal Influence

- How To Win Friends and Influence People: Dale Carnegie
- Influence: Science and Practice: Robert B. Cialdini
- Influence Without Authority: Allan R. Cohen and David L. Bradford
- Maximum Influence: Kurt Mortensen



## Corporate Strategy



## Corporate Strategy

#### • First Generation: **SWOT Analysis**

- Internal Strengths
- Internal Weaknesses
- External Opportunities
- External Threats

#### Second Generation: BCG Growth Share Matrix

- Stars High market share in a fast growing industry
- Question Marks Low market share in a fast growing industry
- Dogs Low market share in a slow growing industry
- Cash Cows High market share in a slow growing industry



## Corporate Strategy

#### Third Generation: Porter Five Forces Analysis

- Threat of New Entrants
- Threat of Substitute Products
- Bargaining Power of Customers
- Bargaining Power of Suppliers
- Intensity of Competitive Rivalry

#### Fourth Generation: Intelligent Influence<sup>®</sup>

- Influence Awareness<sup>™</sup>
- Influence Impact<sup>™</sup>
- Influence Management<sup>™</sup>
- Influence Maximization<sup>TM</sup>



## Influence-Driven Leadership







 $Internal \\ Influence^{TM}$ 

External Influence<sup>TM</sup>

Influence Understanding<sup>TM</sup>

Influence Actions<sup>TM</sup>

Step 1 Influence Awareness <sup>TM</sup>	Step 2 Influence Impact <sup>TM</sup>
Step 3 Influence Management <sup>TM</sup>	Step 4 Influence Maximization <sup>TM</sup>



## Influence Awareness<sup>TM</sup>



- Who has influenced me in the past?
- How have they influenced me?
- What impact has their influence had on me?
- Are my perspectives reinforced because I spend time with people who believe the same things that I do?
- Do I spend enough time trying to understand what influenced other people to have completely different views than I do?



## Influence Impact<sup>TM</sup>



- AUTHORITY INFLUENCE: Influence based on position, authority or ability to command (i.e. Phil Knight/Nike)
- **BELIEF INFLUENCE:** Influence derived by convincing people to believe in something that is not immediately susceptible to rigorous proof (i.e. Jeff Bezos/Amazon)
- **INSPIRATION INFLUENCE:** Influence derived from motivating people to have a passion for a leader, project or activity (i.e. Richard Bransen/Virgin)
- REPUTATION INFLUENCE: Influence derived from the broad based respect of others (i.e. James Burke/Johnson & Johnson)
- **RESOURCE INFLUENCE:** Influence based on the ability to share valuable corporate assets (i.e. Eric Schmidt/Google)
- THOUGHT INFLUENCE: Influence derived from a company's innovative ideas or skills (i.e. Steve Jobs/Apple)



### Influence Management<sup>TM</sup>



$$P + S + I = E$$

Where the symbols represent the following:

**P** = **Personality** - A person's personality type (as determined informally or by a personality assessment).

**S** = **Skills** - The special abilities of a person.

 $I = Internal Influence^{TM}$  - The developmental influence action (coaching, training, team building, etc.)

 $E = External Influence^{TM}$  - The ways in which this person influences others as a result of their actions.



#### Influence Management<sup>TM</sup>



$$O + C + I = E$$

Where the symbols represent the following:

**O** = **Organization's Culture** - The shared values, attitudes, goals and practices that characterize the organization.

**C** = **Capabilities** - The special abilities of the employees in the organization (i.e. technical, research, development, production, sales, etc.)

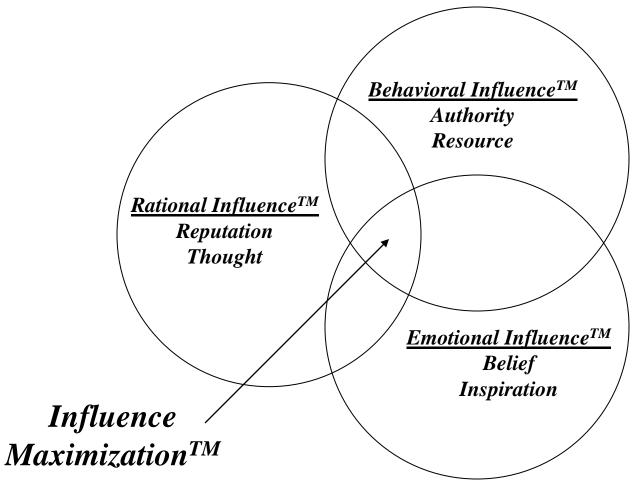
 $I = Internal Influence^{TM}$  - The organization's developmental influence action (consulting, acquisitions, divestitures, etc.)

 $E = External Influence^{TM}$  - The ways in which the organization influences others as a result of the organization's actions.



## Influence Maximization<sup>TM</sup>





# Influence in Your Office



## **Developmental Opportunities**



## Behavioral Influence<sup>TM</sup>



**Authority Influence**<sup>TM</sup>: Set clear vision, mission and goals for your organization or the people that you have authority over.

**Resource Influence**<sup>TM</sup>: Strategically share the resources (personal or corporate) that you have control over with your boss, co-workers, employees, customers or other individuals you are attempting to influence.



## Rational Influence<sup>TM</sup>



**Reputation Influence**<sup>TM</sup>: Take the time to understand how you are viewed by your boss, co-workers, employees, customers or other individuals you are attempting to influence.

**Thought Influence**<sup>TM</sup>: Demonstrate to your boss, coworkers, employees, customers or other individuals you are attempting to influence that your thoughts and ideas are original.



## Emotional Influence<sup>TM</sup>



**Belief Influence**<sup>TM</sup>: Learn how to eloquently connect your personal or corporate mission with the strongly held beliefs of your boss, co-workers, employees, customers or other individuals you are attempting to influence.

Inspiration Influence<sup>TM</sup>: Seamlessly integrate what you are requesting with the desires, hopes, values and dreams of your boss, co-workers, employees, customers or other individuals you are attempting to influence.



#### **Final Questions or Comments**







#### **Thank You**



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